

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Karl Tryggvason et al.  
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Cleveland, Ohio 44114-2518

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to consideration of the application, please amend the application as follows:

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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-3 and 10.

In claim 4, line 1, delete "of claim 1" and replace with --sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1--.

In claim 12, line 3, delete "of claim 1" and replace with --sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1--.

**Remarks**

Applicants respectfully submit that the above amendments introduce no new matter and are merely to cancel subject matter allowed in the parent application. As such, the amendments place the subject application in better condition for examination. Early examination and notification of allowability are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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